MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY DIRECTOR, DIVISION 6

ERGUN (ERIC) BAKALL

OCCUPATION: Director, Municipal Water District of Orange County, Division 6

My four-year record as incumbent Director of Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) and 35 years of experience developing water resource solutions, engineering, management, and water operations prove my qualifications. I am a Civil Engineer with Masters Degree and held positions of Chief Engineer with San Diego Water Authority and Principal Engineer with Irvine Ranch Water District.

I serve as chairman of the Planning and Operations Committee of MWDOC and as a Commissioner on Santiago Aqueduct Commission. In July 2002, MWDOC appointed me to represent Orange County at Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (Metropolitan), a consortium of 26 cities and water districts that provides drinking water to 18 million people in Southern California. As a Metropolitan Director I have an important responsibility to ensure adequate water supplies at affordable rates for Orange County.

Recently, we completed Diamond Valley Reservoir, signed agreements to transfer Colorado River water from agricultural to urban users, started serious initiatives for seawater desalination, and acquired grants for Orange County water agencies in excess of \$141 million for recycled water and groundwater storage projects.

I will continue working to ensure financial integrity, excellent water quality at affordable rates, and a reliable delivery system. I respectfully ask for your support.